1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 AT SEATTLE 9 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CASE NO. CR22-0197JLR 10 **ORDER** Plaintiff, 11 v. 12 JESUS RUIZ-HERNANDEZ, 13 Defendant. 14 15 Before the court is Defendant Jesus Ruiz-Hernandez's ex parte motion requesting Criminal Justice Act ("CJA") funds to pay for certified translations of defense exhibits to 16 17 be used at trial. (Mot. (Dkt. # 168) (sealed); see also Fin. Aff. (Dkt. # 139) (sealed); 18 12/21/23 Hoover Decl. (Dkt. # 160) (sealed); 1/4/24 Hoover Decl. (Dkt. # 205) (sealed).) 19 The court has reviewed Mr. Ruiz-Hernandez's financial affidavit (Fin. Aff.) and 20 his attorney's declaration concerning Mr. Ruiz-Hernandez's ability to pay for trial 21 expenses (12/21/23 Hoover Decl.). The court finds that Mr. Ruiz-Hernandez is not able to pay for certified translations of exhibits that may be relevant to his defense. 22

Accordingly, the court AUTHORIZES the use of CJA funds to pay for certified translations of defense exhibits in this case. The court preauthorizes the use of up to \$1,500 in CJA funds to pay Jason Schrier, 1742 NW 56th St. #21, Seattle, WA 98107, for translation services. The court DIRECTS the Office of the Federal Public Defender to create an expert-only appointment in CJA eVoucher to pay Mr. Schrier for his services. Dated this 8th day of January, 2024. JAMESIL. ROBART United States District Judge